

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 07-009

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF NOTICE

On January 17, 2007, the Commission issued an order of notice opening this docket to investigate the administrative costs of operating the state-wide Low Income Electric Assistance Program (EAP), which provides for electric bill discounts to qualified low income consumers in New Hampshire. The issues to be addressed included ways of streamlining EAP administrative processes and reducing administrative costs, the recoverability of \$40,968.75 by the community action agencies for one time software development costs incurred in connection with the temporary emergency assistance program and the amounts and types of administrative costs incurred since October 1, 2003. Subsequently, the Commission issued a prehearing conference order, No. 24,738 (April 5, 2007), which provided that the review of administrative costs would be combined with the Commission's annual program and budget review and a supplemental order of notice would be issued expanding the scope of the docket. On June 28, July 13, and July 18, 2007, the Commission Staff filed proposed modifications to the procedural schedule.

This supplemental order of notice is intended to apprise the public of the expansion of this proceeding to include a review of EAP's annual program and budget. This supplemental order of notice also provides for a procedural schedule to govern the remainder of this docket, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the following procedural schedule is hereby adopted:

Recommendations to the Commission, including identification of any unresolved issues	July 27, 2007
Submission of 2007-2008 budgets	August 1, 2007
Submission of testimony or statements of position with respect to unresolved issues	August 24, 2007
Hearing on the merits	September 7, 2007 10:00 a.m.

and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, the Executive Director shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than July 24, 2007, in a newspaper with general circulation in the state, publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before September 7, 2007; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a Petition to Intervene with copies sent to Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc., Public Service Company of New Hampshire, and Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before August 6, 2007, such Petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, as required by N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32,I(b); and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any party objecting to a Petition to Intervene make said Objection on or before August 16, 2007.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this eighteenth day of July, 2007.

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director & Secretary

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